Michael Lowe:

2. One decision I would have handled differently is how the Town has approached spending and tax increases.
I think Council needs to take a harder look at where our money is going before asking residents to pay more. There are things we need to spend money on, but there are also things we can do without.
I would have pushed for a more thorough review of spending, looking for savings and making sure the money we do spend is going toward the priorities residents actually care about.
Residents shouldn't have to keep paying more without seeing better results. Before raising taxes, I want Council to prove we've done everything we can to control spending first.

3. The one measurable change I want residents of Huntsville and Chaffey Ward to see is better value for their tax dollars and visible improvements in our community.
I want to see our money going toward the things residents actually need—better roads and sidewalks, accessibility, accessible parking, and more things for our youth and families.
I also want the Town to take a harder look at spending before asking taxpayers for more. We need to make sure we are spending responsibly and getting value for every tax dollar.
By the end of four years, I want residents to be able to look around and say, “Things are getting fixed, our money is being spent responsibly, and we can actually see the difference.”
That’s what I mean by accountability—less talk, more results.